Passage to Iraq

The native military band in the ordered BAGHDAD garden

wheezes a standard of BING'S from HIGH SOCIETY. Too soon

to cast Ali as him, Hasan as FRANK, clicking eggnogs with some masked GRACE. The WHITE

MAN'S BURDEN meantime shreds our shoulders, but these pink, mostly YANKEE faces won't kvetch

to freshly-civil WOGS peppering such EGALITARIAN fetes. Makes

no difference what we say or do to them, it'll END THE SAME.